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High School Attitudes Towards Prohibition, 1930

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relationships is evidenced in the very high correlation between those students who personally drank and whose friends also drank. These facts plus the probable conclusion that student drinking is in a decided minority throughout the country at large are worthy of further attention. Research should be carried further in this field, and educational technique devised in light of whatever findings might be reached.

The statistics of the study in detail are as follows:

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Do you believe moderate drinking injures one's chances of succeeding: in (a) athletics? (b) business?

	Athletics		Business	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Yes	463	460	365	374
No	53	23	147	106
No Ans.	—	4	4	7
	516	487	516	487

Do you drink wine, beer, whisky, gin or any other form of intoxicants?

	Male	Female
Yes	149	67
No	367	420
	516	487

How much instruction have you received concerning the influence of alcohol on the body and health?

	Home		School		Church		Elsewhere	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
None	30	19	29	19	105	61	51	46
Little	153	124	226	211	188	169	237	222
Much	320	321	247	236	154	290	158	119
No Ans.	13	23	14	21	65	57	70	105

Do most of your personal friends drink intoxicants?

	Male	Female
Yes	12	6
Moderately	133	50
Freely	6	1
No	364	424
No Answer	1	4

Is it necessary to drink in order to become popular in your high school?

	Male	Female
Yes	26	15
No	490	470
No Answer	—	2

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Do your parents drink intoxicants?

	Male	Female
Yes	7	9
Moderately	131	45
No	372	430
No Answer	6	3

In your opinion does the man who buys or drinks intoxicating liquor violate the spirit of the laws of our country?

	Male	Female
Yes	435	449
No	76	33
No Answer	5	5

Have you read the Eighteenth Amendment?

	Male	Female
Yes	474	451
No	42	34
No Answer	—	2

Do you believe the present prohibition laws have been beneficial to the nation?

	Male	Female
Yes	356	344
No	151	137
No Answer	9	6

	Male	Female
POPULATION		
1,000-10,000	142	137
10,000-100,000	225	190
100,000-500,000	91	81
500,000-	43	6
No Answer	15	23

	Male	Female
TYPE OF TOWN		
Industrial	282	240
Agricultural	79	76
Residential Suburban	106	23
Residential Rural	39	29
No Answer	10	19

	Male	Female
FATHER'S OCCUPATION		
Professional	53	42
Executive	180	164
Salesman	46	48
Skilled Laborer	127	124
Farmer	49	51
No Answer	61	60

	Male	Female
MOTHER'S OCCUPATION		
Professional	18	20
Executive	8	15
Skilled Laborer	5	4
Farmer	12	12
No Answer	444	434

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